

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023  
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**REGULAR MINUTES** Minutes of the LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD Regular Meeting held Tuesday, February 14, 2023 Telford Street Boardroom, Civic Center.

PRESENT: Wendy Yule  
Mindy Paradis  
Councilor Ryan Pollard  
Benjamin McDonald  
Councilor Lars Hansen  
Ngairé Nix  
Alena Mazur  
James Turner  
Kala Raymond  
Jenna Chernuka – City Representative

WITH REGRETS: Alysha Laviolette – Recording Secretary  
James Kollmar

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Hancharyk – City Representative

**CALL TO ORDER I. CALL TO ORDER**

Wendy Yule called the meeting to order at 6:01p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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**MOTION: It was Moved by Ben to approve the February 14, 2023, Agenda.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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37/2023

**MOTION: It was Moved by Ngairé to accept the meeting minutes of January 10, 2023, as circulated.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

• **Y STATION PESTICIDE PRESENTATION**

- Education campaign seems the best outcome.

• **LEDUC WILDLIFE CONSERVATION SOCIETY PRESENTATION**

- City Land Use Bylaw (14.1.1.1. & 18.8) imply Telford Industrial Overlay has restrictive power to any ASP or

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development that may occur.

**REPORTS**

- **Chair's Report**

- Michael submitted our LEAB bylaw recommendations to City Clerk, Chris Belke, who revised the bylaws with additional amendments to make them consistent with other boards, then sent them back to us for review. We carefully went over them again and made a couple of corrections. Michael and Chris noted that LEAB was the first City of Leduc board to incorporate gender neutral titles and inclusive language in our bylaws.
- Jenna, Michael and I had a (virtual) meeting re: the future of the Hens and Bees Pilot project. We'll review that later in the meeting to get feedback from the board members.
- It's time for annual report to City Council (probably March 13th or 20th). Vice Chair Mindy and I will work on that and welcome any input for the board.
- Merlin App to help distinguish type of bird for bird count.

- **Council's Report**

- Tax assessments went out.
- Devon pulled out of Edmonton's transit system. Could affect Leduc.
- Parking ban for snow removal occurred; now over.
- Elias Martin was profiled with citizen award.
- 2 Youth Members appointed to youth council.
- Fire at South skating rink; charges have been put to 2 young people.
- Citizens of distinction awards are open to nominations.
- Downtown revitalization to occur.
- Secondary suites to be allowed to increase density.
- Strategic plan to be updated.

- **Administration's Report**

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- **Citizens of Distinction:**

- For new board members, annually, nominations are gathered to recognize and celebrate outstanding citizens, groups, and businesses that have made a tremendous contribution to our community.

- Six awards are available through this citizen recognition program:

- *Athletic Achievement*

- *Community Spirit*

- *Arts, Culture and Heritage*

- *Environmental Achievement*

- *Youth Award of Merit (youth 16 and under)*

- *Mayor's Special Award (awarded by Leduc City Council)*

- **Nomination timeline:**

- *Sept 2022: nominations for the 2022 Citizens of Distinction (COD) Award season were opened.*

- *April 30, 2023: deadline for nominations.*

- *April 30, 2023 - May 3, 2023: Nominations to be received, organized, and prepared for review by committee.*

- *May 4, 2023: Committee members will be emailed a link to an external drive to view all nominations along with matrix guide to review and rank nominations.*

- *May 10, 11, or 12, 2020: COD Annual meeting. Committee meets to review nominations as a group, make recommendations, and vote. (Please note, this meeting is scheduled around lunch hour)*

- LEAB has previously supported this initiative by submitting nominations and having a member sit on the committee.

- Recommend that the board take some time to reflect on any citizens, groups, or businesses that have made a significant contribution to the community on the environmental front. Last year's nomination for the Leduc Co-op organics diversion program will be carried over but more nominations are welcomed and encouraged. (Leduc Lions solar array won last year).

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- If the board is still interested in participating on the committee, our volunteer coordinator Elana Hansen has requested confirmation of which LEAB member would like to join this season. Wendy volunteered to sit on the committee.
- **Presentations to Council.**
- **LEAB needs to present to Council on the following:**
- *Annual update to Council summarizing last year's progress and key areas of focus for the coming year.*
- *Hens & Bees pilot program outcome and recommendations.*
- *Pesticide survey results and recommendations.*
- Hens and Bees: board open to extending program by another year and then adopting the program full time; might explore grant funding or other opportunities to dissolve barriers to participation; discussed the possibility of hosting an info session or other event to bolster participation; talked about the idea of a community hive or hen enclosure.
- **Events.**
- LEAB is interested in having a booth at the Business Expo April 15 & 16. Admin to send dates, times, and expectations.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Kala to extend the Hens and Bees pilot program for 2023 with full program adoption in 2024. Alena seconds the motion.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF REPORTS**

**MOTION:** It was moved by Mindy to accept the above noted reports for information purposes only.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF  
HENS AND  
BEES  
EXTENTION**

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**APPROVAL OF  
REPORTS**

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**UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS**

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***Actionable Initiatives***

- **Pollinators and Pesticides**
  - Survey results around cosmetic pesticide use in the City were presented. Results indicated support for a pesticide education campaign.
  - Have pesticide subcommittee meeting in the coming month.
- **Green House Gas Plan/CEIP**

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- No update
- Move to Topics to Monitor

- **Telford Berms and Buffers**

- John from the LWCS presented on the importance of preserving natural areas around Telford Lake.
- Review of Telford Lake Overlay.

- **Light Efficiency Community**

- Subcommittee meeting in the coming month

- **Waste Management – Business (ICI) and Multi-Unit (MU) Waste Diversion**

- No update
- Move to Topics to Monitor

- **Environmental Plan**

- RFP drafted.

***Topics to Monitor***

- **Watershed and Coal Policy**

- No update

- **Single Use Plastic**

- No update

- **Tree Protection – Policy/Bylaw**

- No update

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

N/A

**ADJOURMENT**

**NEW  
BUSINESS**

**OPEN  
DISCUSSION**

**MOTION:** it was moved by Ryan to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

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**NEXT MEETING**

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The next meeting will be held on March 14, 2023 Telford Street Board Room



Chair

  
Recording Secretary

**MOTION CARRIED**